

THE HOUSE OF THE WEEK

Choice of Second Women's Housing Congress-

Refinements Of 'Ideal' Home Add Livability

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A dream house come true, this design was inspired by the 100 housewives from every state who attended the second Women's Congress on Better Living at Washington, D.C.

Designed exclusively for the House of the Week series and designated HW-92, this plan fulfills the women's requirements for an ideal home. In preparation for months on the drawing board of famed Architect Samuel Paul, the house is a classic of conservative, contemporary styling. It has all the home virtues wanted by the women.

The women at the second congress wanted their ideal home to be larger, more comfortable, with seven or eight rooms and 2½ baths. Among other things, they wanted the bathrooms "revolutionized," larger and better equipped kitchens, plenty of electrical outlets and larger bedrooms.

At the first congress, the women expressed a preference for a somewhat smaller home with seven rooms including three bedrooms, dining room, living room, family room and kitchen — and 1½ baths.

Both congresses specified a one-story house. Women at both congresses wanted special play areas for children and adequate closet space.

Plan HW-92 includes all features specified at the second congress. It is a larger house than the first congress home.

The improved version of the women's ideal home, based on the second congress, has three bedrooms, 2½ baths, a living room, formal dining room, family room and kitchen, plus a closeted foyer, dining terrace, formal living terrace with a shallow pool and play area for the children — and a private master bedroom terrace.

Wooded Lot Ideal

All in one story, the house has 1,765 square feet, larger by 265 square feet than the first women's house. In HW-92, there are 621 additional square feet in the garage and garage storage areas. House dimensions of HW-92 are 69 feet by 46 feet 8 inches. The dimensions of the first house were 55 feet 6 inches by 29 feet 4 inches.

The second congress said the

ideal site would be a wooded, one-acre lot. HW-92 would fit into such an area, but it also can be built on a lot 100 by 100 feet.

HW-92 has further improvements over the first house such as fireplaces in the living room, the master bedroom and the family room. The entrance door is flanked by a large glass panel for viewing callers — an important item at both congresses.

The right foyer wall is finished in brick, and two large closets form the opposite foyer wall. Visible from the foyer is an exquisite planter which separates the dining area from the foyer. The planter becomes a buffet on the dining room side.

A furniture type linen and storage closet separates the private bedroom hall from the living room, designed for informal living, can be opened into one large room or divided by folding partitions. The laundry, off the family room, is concealed by a folding partition.

Well Equipped Kitchen

The kitchen has a large, all-purpose table suitable for informal dining, homework, sewing and other activities, meeting another major point at the second congress.

Meeting the demand for better equipment, the kitchen of HW-92 has a double sink, dishwasher, countertop range, wall oven, large refrigerator and wall cabinets treated in natural wood. The sink is beneath the window, where the women wanted it to be.

The master suite has a bedroom, terrace, dressing room, bath and fireplace. The master bathroom has a sunken tub, cantilevered water closet and a large, vanity-type basin.

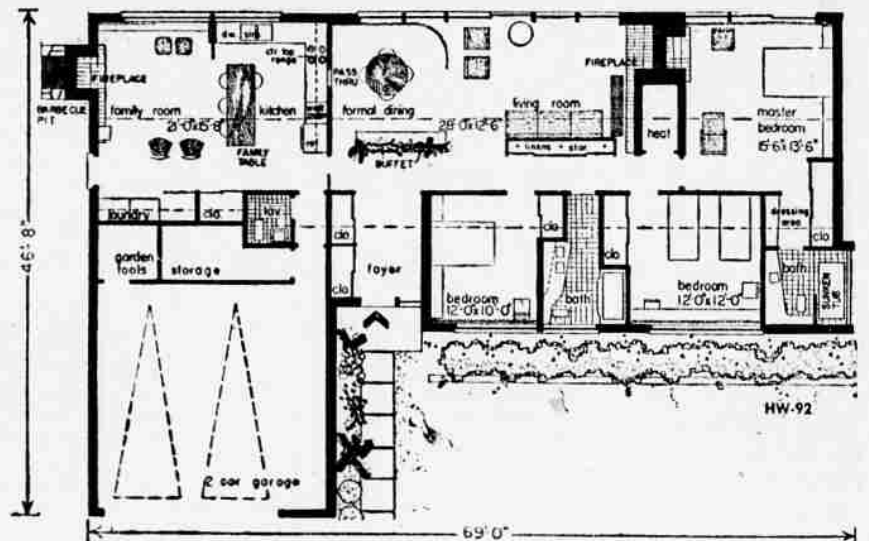
The hall bath has a built-in unit with two basins, a water closet and an oversize, built-in tub. All bedrooms have ample closet space and built-in units around the beds.

Construction features of HW-92 include a climate-control system, and the master bedroom is designed for either air conditioning or ventilating ducts.

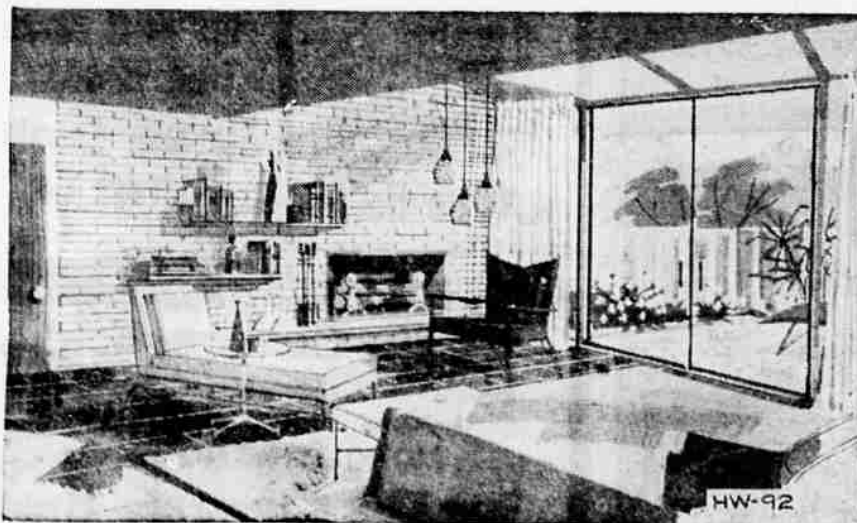
A dropped area running through the center of the house forms a



THREE TERRACES AND CHILDREN'S play area are outdoor features of the typical American housewife's dream house. Marble chip panels, a new material, are under all windows not reaching floor level. Low garden wall in front is of sculptured concrete block.



ALL IN ONE STORY, this is the exceptional floor plan of this seven-room house with three bedrooms plus two and a half baths.



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